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PECULIAR FEATURES

AFTER BEING INJURED.

STRANGE WALKED LONG DISTANCE

Claude Strange, an eighteen-year-old boy Hving at 2134 Martindale avenue, lies in the City Hospital with a fractured skull, the result of an assault by a footpad last night.

from an ugly scalp wound. Strange seemed stunned, but he refused to be assisted when he left the store. He said he had been assaulted by a footpad and robbed of \$4, his

Leaving Belmont avenue, Strange walked east a distance of thirteen blocks, a remarkable feat for a person with a fractured the ground and was found lying prostrate street. Dr. Curtis was not at home, but Strange was taken into the physician's home and the City Dispensary ambulance City Dispensary and found that he had a | come for him to "make good" with his offer bad fracture of the skull. The young man was again placed in the ambulance and was taken to the City Hospital. He traveled no less than five miles from the time he was injured until he was given permanent re-

A report reached police headquarters that a man had been assaulted by footpads and would die. Captain Kruger, Detectives plan and Haley and Bleyelemen Streit and Loah hurried to the scene of the assault. Strange was interviewed in the ambulance, but he could give no connected account of his adventure. Strange said that he was going to spend the evening with a friend, nd when he reached the Belt Railroad, at Washington street, he turned into the Here a heavy-set white man aproached him and demanded his money. Strange attempted to run, and the man knocked him down. The young man again attempted to get away, but this time was struck a terrific blow on the head. He thinks it was done with a rock. It is believed that the instrument of injury was a 'black jack,' or piece of pipe. The footpad took \$4 from Strange's pockets and disappeared. Strange crawled to the corner of Washington street and the Belt Railroad, and there regained his feet and wan-dered to be mont avenue, a long distance

The police dc not believe Strange told his story completely. He was in a semi-conscious condition, and could not give a good account of the happening.

EGGS AT FIVE CENTS A DOZEN.

Colored Bays Stole Fifteen Dozen and Tried to Sell Them.

James Ewing and Jesse Green, colored boys living on Randolph street, were arrested by Patrolman Bailey yesterday afternoon for stealing fifteen dozens of eggs

from a market woman. The boys attempted to dispose of the eggs at Boehm's grocery, at Beecher and Shelby streets. They officred the lot for 75 cents. Grocer Boehm suspected that the eggs were fil-gotten ard called Patrolman Bailey. The policeman sent Boehm's clerk to capture the boys before they sprinted away. When the clerk caught Green and Ewing they

fought fiercely and attempted to stab him. he has never got over. clerk was being badly worsted when officer arrived. Ewing and Green said they stole the us from the back of a market woman's ggy early yesterday morning. She did

ot report her loss to the police.

Denison billiard rooms, yesterday found two certified checks for \$500 each. They were on the floor of the billiard room and Henley turned them ever to Manager Washburn. The checks belonged to Griffith

Brothers, merchants, of Portland, Ind.

New Pianos \$165 and up at Wulschner's.

HE HAS NOT ANSWERED CONSUMERS' GAS COMPANY LETTER.

On Last Wednesday He Was Informed that the Company Was Ready to Consider Proposition.

HIS RECENT OFFER RECALLED

TELEGRAMS TO ALLEN M. FLETCHER SAID TO BE UNAVAILING.

a Theory for Haag's Oft Ex-

pressed Antagonism.

The trustees of the Consumers' Gas Trust Company have answered the communication which they received last Monday from Julius A. Haag in which he submitted a proposition to buy out the company and pay the city of Indianapolis \$300,000. The reply of the trustees was mailed to Mr. Haag last Wednesday and since he has not seen fit to make it public, Mr. John H. Holliday, secretary of the company, announced its purport last night. Officials of the company express surprise that Mr. Haag has not acted in accordance with their suggestion that he name a date for a conference, since they understood that he was anxious to present his offer to them as early as possible. In view of Mr. Haag's silence the impression is growing with them that the

proposition was not made in good faith. The gist of the reply is as follows: "While you understand that as trustees of the property we have no power to sell without action of the stockholders, nevertheless, we are quite willing to entertain an offer for the property. We will be glad der that there may be no delay in securing legislation looking toward the establishment of meters."

As has been said, the letter was sent by Mr. Holliday on last Wednesday, and has been in Mr. Haag's hands for several

OFFER MADE BY HAAG. Haag's offer to the trustees was as fol-

"I make you the following offer: I will pay balance due on certificates, with 8 (eight) per cent, interest to July 1, 1902, and will pay all the company's liabilities, assume all litigation now pending and will agree to furnish natural gas at ordinance rates as long as it can be procured, and, as | delicacy and the fact that he brought the this company was organized by the citizens. I furthermore agree to pay into the city treasury \$300,000 when the final conveyance

Consumers' Gas Trust Company agrees to assign and deed to Julius A. Haag, assigns or heirs, all its property, including real estate, wells, pumping stations, pipe lines in and out of the city, reducing stations. leases, cash on hand, accounts receivable, all franchises and rights of way, and, in fact, all assets of the company.'

The officials of the Consumers' Gas Trust Company think that the letter will be effective in one of two ways. It will either result is the one that is expected to develop | burned the huts of ringleaders. and the officials of the company are jot lying awake nights figuring how they will dispose of cash to be received from Mr.

John H. Holliday said: "Mr. Haag must now show that his proposition is businesslike and not meant merely for effect. While we are merely trustees of the company and have no right to sell the property without consent of the stockholders, we would, of course, have to accept a favorable offer. Mr. Haag has his chance to make good. The trustees will certainly 'have to be

PROPOSITION UNTENABLE. It was said last night by one in a position to discuss the offer and the reply intelligently that the Haag proposition is untenable and unworthy of consideration on the face of it. "If he states that he wishes to secure control of the company as a busiwhy can't we make money who have been in the business a dozen years?' Another thing that can be said to Mr. Haag, it is pointed out, is this: 'Your financial standing in the community is not such that we can expect you to deliver to us \$118,000 with interest, and, in addition, pay to the city of Indianapolis, by the terms of your offer, the additional sum of \$300,000. Therefore, who are your backers?" These two things, the officials of the company believe, are causing Mr. Haag some thought at present. He Dr. De Vaney took Strange to the | must realize, they say, that the time has or show that it was not sincere to begin

W. H. Shackelton, who is connected with the Consumers' Gas Company, was informed a day or two ago, it is stated, by one who was familiar with Mr. Haag's affairs, that Haag had been telegraphing to Allen M. Fletcher, of New York, asking that Mr. Fletcher come to his assistance, and that the messages have been unavailing. Mr. Shackelton's informant added, it stated, that failure to interest Mr. Fletcher in the project had been worrying

Mr. Haag. A PLAUSIBLE THEORY. Speaking of Mr. Haag's attitude toward the gas companies, Mr. John H. Holliday said last night: "I have it from John R. Pearson and others that a good many years ago, when there was plenty of gas and everybody was anxious to be served, a nies to give them service. The companies would not lay the mains unless the people of the wards would get up subscriptions covering the cost of the new mains. The Consumers' Gas Trust Company agreed to lay mains in certain districts if the people served would subscribe for stock in the company. That arrangement was pretty generally entered into. The Indianapolis Company, however, could not do that and necessarily had to demand cash. There is where I understand Haag came in. He evolved a scheme for going among the people in one of the wards which wanted gas and getting them to make up a sort of purse. Then, after the cost of the mains | make the appropriation. was subtracted from the purse, he took the difference for his trouble. When it came to working the plan in the old Twenty-first ward Haag was ready to do some more promoting, but the then councilman from the ward was working in Fletcher's Bank and he said to Alien M. Fletcher, who

was interested in the Indianapolis Gas Company, 'Why do you let Haag act as third party in this business when you might as well get the money yourselves?' The officials of the company took the hint and Mr. Haag's services in working up subscriptions were no longer required. Although I understand that he made \$6,500 out of the

### A Church Rummage Sale.

gained a dislike for the gas companies that

business before it was worked out,

The women of the Emanuel Baptist Church will begin a rummage sale to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock in a store on Fountain Square. They ask donations of hats, old clothing, shoes, millinery and other articles sent to the place where the sale is to be held. Mrs. W. I. Howell, 1107 Pleasant street, whose telephone is New

3257, is in charge of the sale, John Kelly, Flagman, Killed. John Kelly, a flagman at the Bluff road crossing on the I. & V. Railroad, was killed by a freight train yesterday morning. He

was caught by another train that he not see approaching. An hour after the accident Kelly's wife was notified of his death. She was just leaving home to carry his breakfast to him.

### TEACHERS' MEETING.

History Instructors and Science Teachers Conclude Work.

The history section and the Indiana science branch of the State Teachers' Association concluded their work yesterday morning. The former met at the Grand Hotel, while ridge High School. A committee consisting of Charles S. Meek, W. A. Mills, C. W. Hodgin, W. N. Henry and I. F. Myer reported a course of historical study for the grades. A general discussion of the report followed and was led by E. T. Austin, of Owosso, Mich., and E. N. Canine, of El-The following officers were elected: Pres-

ident, Charles S. Meek, Elwood; vice pres ident, W. A. Millis, Crawfordsville; secretary, Josephine Cox, Indianapolis; treasurer, Prof. A. E. Bester, Franklin. At the morning session of the science association the programme consisted of papers by Erai Ramsey, of Muncie, on "The Ecology Side of Zoology;" "Drawings in High School Biology," by R. J. Pierce, of Logansport; "A Spring Term's Work in Botany," by Walter E. King, of Crawfordsville, and "A Half Year's Course in Biology," by Otis W. Caldwell, of Charleston, Ill. These papers were generally discussed

### 'CONNELL COMING

HE WILL BE IN COMMAND OF BAT-TALION OF INFANTRY.

In the Philippines the Officer Gained Distinction for Brilliant Service.

It is understood that the officer in command of the battalion of infantry to be quartered in Indianapolis will be Lieut. Col. John Joseph O'Connell, recently returned from active service in the Philippines with his regiment, the Third United States Infantry. Colonel O'Connell bears the reputation of being a fire-eater with a consuming passion for activity, and he is known among army men as a diplomat whose tact has been very successful in placating conquered provinces and leading them to accept American rule without friction.

Colonel O'Connell's services in Southern Samar gained him distinction. Last summer he was sent with a handful of men, a bare half company, to investigate the murder of Lieutenant Downes, of the First Infantry, and one of his men. On Colonel O'Connell devolved the entire work of treating with 3,000 natives who were known to be among the most treacherous of Filipinos. It was a commission of the utmost natives to terms without the firing of a gun speaks well for his ability as a diplomat as well as his bravery as a soldier, in ac-

complishing the task with fifty men. Colonel O'Connell wrote a number of letters to his wife describing graphically his experiences. He was received at first with the most flattering honors. Every respect was accorded him and the natives went far out of their way to convey to him the impression that he was received as a beloved friend instead of an enemy. Signs of treachery were not lacking, however, and Colonel O'Connell's suspicions were aroused. Acting with characteristic energy, he had the leaders of the village in the guardhouse before they realized that he was contemplating action, and then

A UNIQUE EXPERIENCE. One of Colonel O'Connell's unique experiences in Samar he describes as follows: the natives swear allegiance, I had a long talk with the priest just before our first Sunday in town. I informed him that I too, was of the Catholic faith and desired to attend mass. I also gave him a few hints on the subject of the sermon which I wished him to preach. Early on Sunday morning the chief citizens were liberated from the guardhouse and ordered to attend church. Crowds of villagers, headed by the padre, the President and Vice President of the province, a band of music and color bearers, escorted me to the church. "Meanwhile the American soldiers were apparently idling about town, but under orders to look sharp and punish immediately

any attempt on my life or other treachery. I was given the seat of honor in the church. which is known as the bishop's chair, with the President and Vice President on my right and left and my orderly with the American flag standing directly behind, The church edifice is an imposing structure, and has one of the finest high altars I have ever seen. asked the town officials to remain near me during the service as a special mark of respect, but really for the purpose of preventing any act of treachery which I been led to believe might occur at any time. The priest stuck well to his instructhe duties of citizenship in the United States, and explained the oath of allegiance and exhorted his hearers to become children of America. At the same time he represented me as their father. Altogether

immediately after began to show signs of sincere friendship After the friendship of the natives had been gained Colonel O'Connell set about establishing schools, cleaning up the village and instructing the natives how to govern themselves and to live as good citizens. By many kind acts he gained their confidence, and by the time he was ordered away he had no occasion to fear

his sermon had a fine effect, for the people

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quarters occupied by the Indiana Trust Company in its bullding at the intersection of Virginia avenue and Washington street is about completed. The principal feature of the improvements is the addition of a commodious and handsome new apartment, fronting on Washington street, to be devoted exclusively to the growing savingsbank department of the company. The banking room is just east of the main entrance to the building. Unless delayed by something not now anticipated, the new apartment will be formally opened to the public Monday, May 5.

Fire Escapes for Guardians' Home. The County Commissioners yesterday

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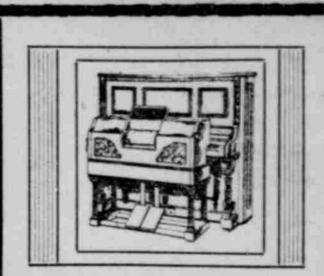
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